

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-20, and 23 are pending after entry of this response. Claims 21, 33 and 24 have been cancelled in this response.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-4, 6-20, and the indicated allowability of claim 23. To place claim 23 in condition for allowance, it has been amended into independent form, incorporating all the elements of claim 21 from which it previously depended. Claim 21 has been cancelled. Claim 23 has also been amended to provide antecedent basis for the body, thus addressing the objection noted in the office action. No new matter has been added.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for allowance. Since all the amendments are designed to place this case in condition for allowance, entry of this response is proper.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this response, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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